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SOVIET MOBILIZATSIONNOYE PREDPISANIYE

(Mobilization Instructions)

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1. In preparation for World War II, the Soviet Union introduced a document entitled MOBILIZATSIONNOYE PREDPISANIYE (Mobilization Instructions). This document was used for the purpose of providing a rapid and orderly method of organizing the military reserves of the nation in the event of war.

2. The issuance of the MOBILIZATSIONNOYE PREDPISANIYE was accomplished by ordering the reservists to report to their local voynkomat with their VOYENNIYE BILETY. Each reservist was then issued an insert for the VOYENNIY BILET. The document contained such instructions as date and time of mobilization, assembly point to which the bearer was to report, documents and equipment the bearer should have in his possession upon reporting, and data regarding the safeguarding of the MOBILIZATSIONNOYE PREDPISANIYE.

3. When the need for the document no longer existed, the Soviets discontinued the use of the MOBILIZATSIONNOYE PREDPISANIYE. However, as we were to learn from later reports, this document was only temporarily retired from the Soviet system of controls.

4. The first indication we had that the MOBILIZATSIONNOYE PREDPISANIYE, also referred to as MOBPREDPISANIYE, had been reintroduced was through the medium of an indirect report which stated that mobilization instructions were being inserted into VOYENNIYE BILETY.

5. Attached hereto is a description and translation of the MOBPREDPISANIYE, the confirming cachet, and our comments.

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DESCRIPTION

1. This MOBPREDPISANIYE is printed on a single sheet of poor quality ground wood paper, which does not contain any watermarks or undertints, and is pasted to the inside margin of the last page of the regulations in the VOYENNNY BILET. The MOBPREDPISANIYE is of a color between pale-red and pink, and is folded in the center thereby creating a four page booklet. The pages are not numbered and are approximately the same size as those of the VOYENNNY BILET. The printing is black and the fill-in ink is of a common Soviet variety of violet.

2. The issuance of the MOBPREDPISANIYE is confirmed in the remarks section of the VOYENNNY BILET by a cachet. The cachet is approximately 5.4 cm. X 1.5 cm. The cachet, entry and issue date are of a violet color.

TRANSLATION OF THE MOBILIZATSIONNOYE PREDPISANIYE

Cover Page:

Command No. _____

VUS No. _____

MOBILIZATSIONNOYE PREDPISANIYE attached to VOYENNNY BILET No. _____

Military Rank and Name _____

NOTE: Instructions along the left edge of the cover page are:

for pasting in the VOYENNNY BILET

Second Page:

With the announcement of the mobilization of the Armed Forces of the U.S.S.R. you are obligated, without awaiting a summons or other type of notification, to appear on the ____ day of mobilization at ____ o'clock (local time written in) at the assembly point of the voynkovat at the following address:

Third Page:

In the event it is not possible to report to this address, you are obligated to report at the above designated time to the following address:

Upon reporting it is necessary to have the documents and equipment designated on the reverse side.

Rayvovenkgnat
M.P.
(cachet of issuing authority)

Fourth Page:

Responsibilities

1. Upon reporting have:
 - This PREDPISANIYE, VOYENNYI BILET and PASPORT;
 - Members and candidates of the KPSU and members of the VLKSM - party and Komsomol documents;
 - Operators of automobiles, motorcycles and tractors - license for operating;
 - Rations for trip to the assembly point and for a 24 hour stay at the assembly point;
 - Rucksack and the necessary articles for the trip (towel, tin cup, spoon, etc.); do not bring suitcases.
2. Prior to reporting obtain a release from your place of employment.

3. This PREDPISANIYE is to be carefully retained in the VOYENNY BILET and is to be presented to no one other than the representative of the voenkamat and the administration of the place of employment. I have become familiar with the responsibilities and order of safeguarding the MOBPREDPISANIYE _____

Signature

(printer's imprint)

TRANSLATION OF CONFIRMING CACHET

Issued MOBPREDPISANIYE

in Command No. _____

NOTE: The date of issue was written above the cachet.

COMMENTS

The above described and translated MOBPREDPISANIYE and confirming cachet is of a post World War II exemplar. The MOBPREDPISANIYA vary in format, text, color and number of pages. The confirming cachets vary in size and format. However the instructions and the confirming cachets are essentially the same.

The approximate translation of the transliterated and abbreviated Russian words appearing in the MOBPREDPISANIYE, are as follows:

- a. MOBILIZATSIONNOYE PREDPISANIYE or MOBPREDPISANIYE--
Mobilization Instructions
- b. ~~voynkomat~~ - abbreviation for Military Commissariat, responsible for registration and reserve affairs.
- c. VOYENNIY BILET - Military Reserve booklet
VOYENNIYE BILETY - plural for Military Reserve booklet
- d. VUS - Military Occupational Specialty (MOS)
- e. ~~rayvoynkomat~~ - abbreviation for Rayon (politics-administrative subdivision, similar to U.S. county) Military Commissariat.
- f. PASPORT - Basic Identity Document
- g. KPSU - Communist Party of the Soviet Union
- h. VLKSM - All-Union Lenin's Young Communist League.
- i. MOBPREDPISANIYA - plural of MOBPREDPISANIYE
- j. ~~povestka~~ - notice or summons.